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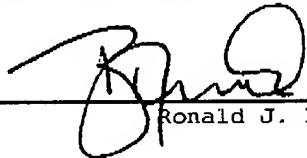
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated  
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Reconsideration and removal of the rejections of the claims is  
respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and  
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